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Examiner: Q. T. Le

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants have reviewed the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, contained in the Notice of Allowance mailed on May 23, 2007, and wish to submit the following comments. The Statement paraphrases several limitations from independent claim 1 as reasons for allowance of the claims. Initially, Applicants wish to point out that the scope of claim 1 is based on the actual language of claim 1. Further, independent claim 11 is a method claim that does not recite many of the limitations of claim 1; rather, the scope of method claim 11 is based upon the method steps recited therein. Therefore, the stated reasons for allowance should be interpreted as highlighting only some of the reasons why the claims are allowable. No further limitations of the claims should be inferred from the Statement of Reasons For Allowance.

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Moreover, dependent claims 2-10 and 12-18 recite additional limitations which, in combination with their base claims, render the dependent claims allowable over the prior art.

Otherwise, Applicants agree with the Examiner that the allowed claims distinguish over the prior art.

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Respectfully submitted,

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